(c) Chief Divisional Manager-cum-State level coordinator of IOC at Bhubaneswar had made an appeal for donation for a good cause on humanitarian grounds.

(d) Since complaint could not be established, no action against the concerned official is called for. However, IOC has suitably counselled him to be more careful in his conduct in future.

roviding Tapti gas to Pipavav in Gujarat

1250. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM ND NATURAL GAS be pleased to ate:

(a) what final decision has been taken r allocation of gas for the proposed pavav Power Project from the Tapti -shore fields indicating the extent of s requirement for the project and the iount of gas allocated;

(b) if decision has not yet been en the reasons, for the delay; and

(c) how much gas is likely to be ilable from the Tapti off-shore fields; l what are the other projects to be with it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE NISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND TURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH ARMA): (a) and (b) It has been de-d to bring the Tapti Gas to Hazira meet the existing commitments at ira and along the HBJ pipeline. Hence s not possible to allocate Tapti for Pipavav Power Project at present.

c) The plateau production from Tapti xpected to be 4.30 MMSCMD.

tioning of Petrol and Diesel outlets in Andhra Pradesh

1251. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to

(a) the procedure adopted and the number of petrol and diesel outlets sanctioned during 1993-94 in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) the number of outlets sanctioned without adopting the prescribed procedure?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Majority of dealerships are awarded through Oil Selection Boards after inviting applications from persons meeting eligibility criteria with regard to age, educational qualification, income and multiple dealership norms. A few dealerships are also allotted under discretionary powers of the Government on compassionate grounds.

During the year 1993-94, 42 and 6 Retail Outlet dealerships were allotted through OSB and under discretionary quota of Government respectively in Andhra Pradesh.

Oil exploration by ONGC East and West Coast

1252. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of off-shore oil wells attempted for exploration of oil by ONGC and the number out of them where ONGC has been successful;

(b) the number of oil wells attempted in East and West coast; and

(c) the estimated oil reserves in each Coast?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) As on 1-10-94 a total number of 664 exploratory wells were drilled in off-shore by ONGC of which 175 wells are proved to be oil bearing and 88 are gas wells.

(b) In the East & West Coast the total number of exploratory wells drilled by ONGC are 147 and 517, respectively.

(c) The estimated geological reserves in the East Coast and West Coast are 87.05 million tonnes and 2509.26 million tonnes, respectively.

Performance of ONGC in the production of crude oil

1253. SHRI T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether ONGC has improved its performance during 1993-94;

(b) the target set by ONGC for the production of crude during 1994-95; and

(c) the steps taken by ONGC to improve further performance and achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) As against crude oil production of 24.427 million tonnes by ONGC during 1992-93 their production during 1993-94 was 24.215 million tonnes.

(b) The target for crude oil production by ONGC during 1994-95 has been fixed at 29.349 million tonnes.

(c) ONGC have initiated a number of short-term and medium-term measures to step up crude oil production. As a result, the production of crude oil by ONGC during the current year is expected to be about 5.134 million tonnes more than the production achieved by them last year. The production of crude oil vis-a-vis target is closely monitored on a monthly basis, region-wise.

Companies registered for LPG marketing

1254. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) the names and number of Private Companies which have been licensed to distribute Cooking Gas;

(b) whether Government have laid down any norms regarding the pricing of the Gas or whether the distributors are free to charge whatever price they like; and

(c) what is the total import of the Cooking Gas and the percentage of import by the Private Sector Companies and its value?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) Under the Parallel Marketing System, private agencies have been allowed to import LPG, using/setting up their own facilities and distribution net-work, for sale of such imported LPG, at market determined prices fixed by them on the basis of import prices and demand/supply position. No permission is required to be obtained from the Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas for undertaking parallel marketing. However, they will have to obtain necessary approval under relevant Acts and Rules regarding safety, pollution control etc., as applicable.

7.1 TMTs of LPG was imported by the Parallel Marketeers during 1993-94, against 410 TMT imported by Public Sector Oil Companies. The value of imports made by parallel marketeers is not reported to Government.

मध्य प्रदेश के विदिशा, रायसेन और सीहोर जिलों में पेट्रोलियम उत्पादों की डीलरशिप हेतु सर्वेक्षण

1255. **श्री राघवजी** : क्या पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) मध्य प्रदेश के विदिशा, रायसेन तथा सीहोर जिलों के किन-किन स्थानों पर डीजल, पेट्रोल, मिट्टी के तेल अथवा रसोई गैस हेतु दुकानों या डीलरशिपों का आवंटन करने संबंधी प्रक्रिया अथवा सर्वेक्षण कार्य पहले ही आरंभ किया जा चुका है;